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# The Tool Shed Herb Nursery

Turkey Hill Road

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Dear

Knowing of your interest in herbs we thought you might enjoy our catalogue.

Many of our customers have asked us what a herb is. We like Rudyard Kipling's definition.

"Anything green that grew out of the mould
Was an excellent herb to our fathers of old."

Our catalogue lists only 68 of the most popular herbs; however we have available a complete listing of all the varieties we grow. If we do not have a particular herb you wish perhaps we could be of help to you in finding a source.

We would be happy to have you visit our gardens and see how herbs are used as an edging for a formal rose garden, interspersed in a perennial border, flourishing in a wild garden and adding interest to a rock garden.

The Tool Shed Herb Nursery is ideal for your visit from the middle of May when the tulip garden is at its height until mid June when the rose garden is in full bloom.

Visitors are welcome to wander through the gardens and information is made available on the culture, uses and fascinating history of herbs.

We hope to see you in the Spring.

Sincerely,

Helen M. Whitman
Charlotte W. Lee

## EPICUREAN HERBS

*PERENNIAL; varieties*

ANGELICA: *(Angelica archangelica);* biennial, growing to 6′. Candied stems used on cakes. Semi-shade.

BURNET: "Garden" *(Sanguisorba minor);* grows to 1′, cucumber flavored leaves used in salads. Sun.

CHIVES: *(Allium Schoenoprasum);* grows to 18″. Grass-like onion flavored leaves used fresh in salads. Sun.

*CARAWAY: *(Carum carvi);* biennial growing to 2′. Seeds used on cakes. Sun.

COSTMARY: *(Chrysanthemum balsamita);* grows to 3′. Bright green leaves used sparingly in salads. Sun or semi-shade.

*FENNEL: *(Foeniculum vulgare);* Bronze variety; grows to 5′. Fresh feathery foliage used with fish. Sun.

HORSERADDISH: *(Armoracia rusticana);* rampant grower to 2′. Grated root used with meats. Sun.

LEMON VERBENA: *(Lippia citriodora);* non-hardy shrub to 4′. Bright green foliage has strong lemon fragrance. Sun.

*LOVAGE: *(Levisticum officinale);* grows to 5′. Resembles celery in flavor and appearance. Sun.

MINTS:

APPLEMINT: *(Mentha rotundifolia);* grows to 3′. Wooly, fragrant foliage, used fresh or dried. Sun.

CORSICAN MINT: *(Mentha requieni);* moss-like, very pungent. Good among paving in semi-shade.

ORANGE MINT: *(Mentha p. citrata);* grows to 6″, grey green, downy, fragrant foliage. Sun.

PINE APPLE MINT: *(Mentha r. varigata);* grows to 1′. Light green, varigated white foliage, aromatic. Sun.

SPEAR MINT: *(Mentha spicata)*; bright green, fragrant foliage, used fresh or dried. Grows to 18″. Sun.

*PARSLEY: *(Petroselinum hortense);* biennial, growing to 9″. Leaves used fresh or dried. Sun.

PINEAPPLE SAGE: *(Salvia rutilans);* not hardy, grows to 4′. Light green fuzzy, aromatic foliage. Sun.

POT MARJORUM: *(Origanum vulgare);* "Wild Marjorum"; grows to 2′. Fresh or dried leaves used with poultry. Sun.

OREGANO: *(Origanum variety);* grows to 1′ high. Light green, fragrant foliage used dried or fresh. Sun.

*RAMPION: *(Campanula rapunculus);* biennial, growing to 2′. Root is used for flavoring. Sun.

ROSEMARY: *(Rosmarinus officinalis);* non-hardy shrub, growing to 5′. Needle-like, dark green, fragrant foliage, used fresh or dried. Sun.

SAGE: *(Salvia officinalis);* sub-shrub, growing to 3′. The grey pungent leaves are used fresh or dried. Sun.

*SWEET CICELY: *(Myrrhis odorata);* grows to 2′ high. Fern-like, licorice flavored foliage used fresh. Sun or semi-shade.

*SWEET BAY: *(Laurus nobilis);* non-hardy tree. Dark green leathery leaves used fresh or dried. Sun. 75¢ each.

SWEET WOODRUFF: *(Asperula odorata);* grows to 9″. Shiny dark green foliage used in "Maibowle." Semi-shade.

TARRAGON: *(Artemisia dracunculus);* grows to 2′. The narrow dark green leaves are used fresh. Sun.

THYME: *(Thymus vulgaris);* grows to 1′ high. Small sub-shrub, tiny grey-green leaves used fresh or dry. Sun.

WINTER SAVORY: *(Satureja montana);* grows to 1′. Dark green leaves, used fresh or dried. Sun.

PRICE, of the above perennials; 50¢ each, unless otherwise noted. Those marked with an *, we do not think wise to ship.

*ANNUALS; varieties. (Obtainable at the nursery only.)*

ANISE: *(Pimpinella anisum);* 2′, seeds used for flavoring. Sun.

BASILS:

SWEET: *(Ocimum basilicum);* 2½′, bright green, fragrant leaves used fresh or dried. Sun.

DWARF SWEET: *(Ocimum minimum);* 9″, much smaller leaves than above. Sun.

PURPLE: *(Ocimum b. purpureum);* 2½′, resembles Sweet, with purple leaves. Sun.

DWARF PURPLE: *(Ocimum m. purpureum);* 9″, resembles Dwarf Sweet, with purple foliage. Sun.

HOLY: *(Ocimum sanctum);* 2′, hairy, anise fragrance, bright green leaves. Sun.

LEMON: *(Ocimum b. citriodorus);* 2′, resembles Sweet w,ith lemony fragrance. Sun.

CURLY: *(Ocimum crispum);* 2′, bright green curly foliage. Sun.

BORAGE: *(Borago officinalis);* 3′, grey green hairy, cucumber flavored foliage, used fresh. Blue star flowers used in fruit cup. Sun or semi-shade.

CHERVIL: *(Anthriscus Cerefolium);* 1′, fern-like anise flavored leaves, used fresh. Semi-shade.

CORIANDER: *(Coriandrum sativum);* 1′, small round, brown, ripe seeds used as flavoring. Sun.

DILL: *(Anethum graveolens);* 3′, feathery foliage used fresh. Yellow flower heads and seeds used in pickles. Sun.

SWEET MARJORUM: *(Origanum Majorana);* 6″, soft grey-green foliage used fresh or dried. Sun.

SESAME: *(Sesamum orientale);* 2′, foxglove-like in appearance. Seeds used on cakes, etc. Sun.

SUMMER SAVORY: *(Satureja hortensis);* 18″, slender plant. Fragrant leaves used fresh or dried.

PRICE, of above annual plants. 25¢ each. Sold in 2¼″ pots.

## FRAGRANT AND DECORATIVE HERBS

*PERENNIAL; varieties.*

BALM: "Lemon"; *(Melissa officinalis);* grows to 2′. Shiny, dark green, heart shaped foliage. Very aromatic. Sun or shade.

BEEBALM: *(Monarda didyma);* "Oswego Tea"; grows to 6′. Aromatic foliage and bright red flowers. Sun or semi-shade.

CATNEP: *(Nepeta cataria);* grows to 3′, grey green foliage, much loved by cats. Sun or shade.

CAMOMILE: *(Anthemis nobilis);* grows to 3″. Bright green leaves and daisy-like flowers. Good ground cover in semi-shade.

CLARY: *(Salvia sclarea);* biennial, to 3′ high. Hairy foliage and spikes of lavender-pink flowers. Sun.

HOREHOUND: *(Marrubium vulgare);* grows to 18″. Downy stems and leaves are fragrant. Sun.

HYSSOP: *(Hyssopus officinalis);* grows to 18″. Shrubby, dark green narrow leaves and blue, white or pink flowers. Sun. Good low hedge.

LAVENDER: *(Lavandula vera);* grows to 1′, grey green aromatic foliage and lavender flowers. Sun.

LAVENDER COTTON: *(Santolina chamaecyparissus);* grows to 1′. Grey aromatic foliage. Makes good low hedge. Sun

LAVENDER COTTON, GREEN: *(Santolina virens);* grows to 1′. Bright emerald green foliage. Good low hedge. Sun.

ORRIS: *(Iris florentina);* grows to 2′. Pale lavender almost white flowers. Sun.

OUR LADY'S BEDSTRAW: *(Galium verum);* grows to 18", feathery bright green leaves. Fragrant yellow flowers. Sun.

ROMAN WORMWOOD: *(Artemisia pontica);* grows to 1'. Grey foliage. Makes good low hedge. Sun.

SILVER MOUND: *(Artemisia variety);* Low mounds of silvery, feathery foliage. Sun.

SILVER KING: *(Artemisia abula);* grows to 2'. Sprays of silver foliage, good as accent in perennial border. Sun.

SOUTHERNWOOD: *(Artemisia abortanum);* grows to 4', feathery aromatic foliage. Good hedge, if clipped. Sun.

SOUTHERNWOOD; CAMPHOR: *(Artemisia a. camphorata)*; lower growing than above with strong camphor odor. Low hedge. Sun.

STRAWBERRIES, ALPINE: *(Fragraria alpina);* low growing, with small red berries. Good ground cover. Sun or semi-shade.

TANSY: *(Tanacetum vulgare);* grows to 4' high. Ferny-foliage and yellow button flowers. Good for the wild garden. Sun or semi-shade.

THMYE; CREEPING: *(Thymus serpyllum);* low growing, with lavender; pink or white flowers. Sun.

THYME, LEMON: *(Thymus s. citriodorus);* low growing, shiny dark green, lemony leaves. Sun.

THYME, SILVER: *(Thymus v. argenteus);* grows to 9", silvery, fragrant foliage. Sun.

WORMWOOD: *(Artemisia absinthium);* grows to 3' high, grey green feathery foliage. Good accent. Sun.

WOAD: *(Isatis glauca);* biennial, grows to 4' high. Yellow flowers, in early spring. Sun or semi-shade.

PRICE of the above plants. 50¢ each.

*ANNUAL; varieties.*

"AMBROSIA" *(Artemisia annua);* grows to 6' high. Feathery plumes of very aromatic bright green foliage. Sun.

PERILLA: *(Perilla frutescens);* grows to 2', with ornamental purple foliage. Sun.

PRICE of above annuals. 25¢ each, sold at the nursery only.

NURSERY WILL BE OPEN:

April 19th through June 19th.

10:30 A. M. to 6:00 P. M. every day except Mondays.

June 20th through August 19th.

Please call before coming to be sure we are here.

August 20th through October 19th.

10:30 A. M. to 6:00 P. M. every day except Mondays.

SHIPPING:

We will ship orders of $3.00 or more. Please add 10% for packing and postage.

Shipping dates:
April 15th through October 15th, depending on weather.

LOCATION:

Salem Center is in Northern Westchester, 57 miles from New York City.

From N. Y. C. take Saw Mill River Parwkay to 22. Take 22 to Purdy's, turn right on 116. Turkey Hill Road is first road on right at end of Titicus Reservoir.

From Ridgefield, Connecticut. Take route 33 to 116. Turkey Hill Road, first road on left after North Salem Town House, in Salem Center.

*The Tool Shed Herb Nursery is the publisher of; "A HERB A WEEK," the attractive calendar that introduces you to 52 HERBS, from their origin to present day usage. Price $1.00 post-paid.*

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